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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

THE ſubſcribers to this GAZETTE, who have never made any payment ſince their commencing cuſtomers, will pleaſe to obſerve, that no more papers will be ſent to them after Chriſtmas, unleſs, in the mean while, they pay up their arrears to that time; at which no perſon can reaſonably be offended, after my repeated advertiſements. Thoſe who have paid in half their ſubſcriptions I expect will be punctual to remit the balance when it becomes due, that I may not be put to the diſagreeable neceſſity of ſtopping their papers; and ſuch as incline to become cuſtomers in future muſt pay down the whole ſubſcription, as I am obliged to pay ready money for every article in my buſineſs. Paper is lately riſen to more than triple its former value, and now can hardly be procured at any price; but I have been lucky enough to get a ſufficient winter's ſupply, of which I ſhall not be ſparing to my good cuſtomers, when there is occaſion; and remain

Their obliged and humble ſervant,
ALEX: PURDIE.

DEC. 6, 1776.

*** THOMAS MILLER, eſq; attorney at law in *Cumberland*, will collect for me in that county, as well as in *Albemarle*, *Amherſt*, *Buckingham*, *Goochland*, *Cheſterfield*, and *Amelia*.

IN CONGRESS, *November* 12, 1776.

UPON re-conſidering the reſolution of the 16th of September laſt, for raiſing 88 battalions to ſerve during the preſent war with Great Britain, Congreſs being of opinion that the readineſs of the inhabitants of theſe ſtates to enter into the ſervice for limited times, in defence of their invaluable privileges, on all former occaſions, gives good ground to hope the ſame zeal for the publick good will appear in future, when the neceſſity calls for their aſſiſtance, and the uncertain length of time which forces raiſed during the continuance of the war may be compelled to ſerve, may prevent many from enliſting, who would otherwiſe readily manifeſt their attachment to the common cauſe, by engaging for a limited time:

Therefore reſolved, that all non-commiſſioned officers and ſoldiers who do not incline to engage their ſervice during the continuance of the preſent war, and ſhall enliſt to ſerve three years, unleſs ſooner diſcharged by Congreſs, ſhall be entitled to and receive all ſuch bounty and pay as are allowed to thoſe who enliſt during the continuance of the preſent war, except the 100 acres of land, which land is to be granted to thoſe only who enliſt without limitation of time. And each recruiting officer is required to provide two diſtinct enliſting rolls, one for ſuch to ſign who enliſt during the continuance of the war, and the other for ſuch as enliſt for three years, if their ſervice ſhall be ſo long required.

By order of Congreſs.

JOHN HANCOCK, preſident.

Mr. PURDIE,

IT was intended that the following petition of the inhabitants of Charles City ſhould have been preſented to the Houſe of Delegates, through their repreſentatives; but as it did not get to their hands time enough to anſwer the intention of the petitioners, they beg you will publiſh it in your Gazette, that their ſentiments upon *religious toleration* may be generally known to their countrymen.

To the Hon. HOUSE *of* DELEGATES.

The petition of the inhabitants of the county of CHARLES CITY:

Humbly ſheweth,

THAT your petitioners are greatly alarmed at the rapid progreſs which ſome of the diſſenters from the church by law eſtabliſhed are daily making in various parts of this country, by ſeducing the ignorant and unwary to embrace their erroneous tenets, which your petitioners conceive to be not only oppoſite to the doctrines which true Chriſtianity inculcates, but ſubverſive of the morals of the people, and deſtructive of the peace of families, tending to alienate the affection of ſlaves from their maſters, and detrimental to the happineſs of the publick; and while ſuch daring attempts are made, by petitions to this honourable Houſe, to pull down all the barriers which the wiſdom of our anceſtors have erected, to ſecure the church from the inroads of the ſectaries, your petitioners apprehend that it would argue a culpable lukewarmneſs tamely to ſit ſtill and not make known their ſentiments, ſo contrary to ſuch innovations. All theſe bad effects your petitioners have already found, by the ſhort experience which they have had in their own county, to be the diſmal conſequences of the doctrines taught by theſe new teachers: We have ſeen, with grief and indignation, by their ſuggeſtions, irreparable breaches made between huſbands and their wives; we have ſeen meetings in the night of our ſlaves to receive the inſtructions of theſe teachers without our conſent, which we apprehend could produce nothing but deeds of darkneſs, and which have already produced their proper fruits of diſobedience and inſolence to maſters, and glorying in what they are taught to believe to be perſecution for conſcience ſake. Your petitioners are not actuated by the narrow and bloodthirſty ſpirit of perſecution: They wiſh to ſee a well regulated toleration eſtabliſhed, by which all thoſe weak and conſcientious brethren, who from principle cannot join with the eſtabliſhed church, may be permitted to ſerve GOD in their own way without moleſtation; but we wiſh alſo that thoſe nightly meetings may be prohibited under ſevere penalties, and that thoſe only, who, after a due examination of their morals, ſhall be found worthy, may be authoriſed to preach, and only in ſuch publick meeting houſes as it may be found proper to licenſe for that purpoſe. But your petitioners humbly apprehend that theſe purpoſes may be anſwered without deſtroying thoſe gentle and wholeſome reſtraints which the wiſdom of ages, and the policy of our laws and conſtitution, have appointed, to give the church a proper pre-eminence over every other ſect, and gently to incline, by the obligation of intereſt as well as reaſon, a re-union of all thoſe who have been deluded and led to forſake that church which your petitioners apprehended to contain the genuine doctrines of Chriſtianity, and to promote the true happineſs, both temporal and eternal, of mankind. Your petitioners therefore pray, that the church may be maintained in all its legal rights, and that the ſectaries may be indulged with ſuch a regulated toleration as to this honourable Houſe ſhall ſeem proper. And your petitioners ſhall ever pray, &c.

(*Signed by* 260)

INSTRUCTIONS *and* COMMANDS *from the freeholders of* Accomack *to their repreſentatives in General Aſſembly.*

BEING informed, that an attempt will be made this ſeſſion to influence the General Aſſembly to ſubvert altogether the preſent eſtabliſhment of the church of England, we think it a duty we owe to GOD, ourſelves, and the community in general, to inſtruct you particularly what part to act in the deciſion of a queſtion in its conſequences ſo very important. We at preſent feel ourſelves happily and warmly united with every religious denomination of Chriſtians in theſe ſtates, in the defence of our civil liberties, againſt the arbitrary power of a Britiſh king and parliament, ſenſible it is to this general union, under GOD, we have hitherto withſtood the united force of Britain and her mercenaries, in a manner to be wondered at even by ourſelves; and we are convinced, by experience, that diſputes and diviſion in religious matters are in their conſequences moſt dangerous to every ſtate, and particularly to thoſe in their infancy. We therefore at preſent command you, ſhould ſuch a propoſition be made in the General Aſſembly, to vote againſt the ſame. At the ſame time we ſhall cheerfully agree to any regulations which may be adopted to make the clergy accountable for their conduct, and be removed upon miſbehaviour.

IN COMMITTEE.

CAROLINE, *Sept.* 1776.

HAVING cauſe to doubt the fidelity of the following perſons to the United States, the ſub-committee was directed to tender them the teſt oath, as preſcribed by Convention, which was accordingly tendered, and refuſed by James Miller at Roy's warehouſe, James Dunlop, Andrew Leckie, John Gray, James Coates, John Thompſon, James Gordon, James Craigy, James Stark, John Wallace, and Archibald M'Lean, of Port Royal.

There is no doubt but theſe monſters of ingratitude will be pleaſed with this notification of their attachment to the juriſdiction of Great Britain, ſerving to recom-

mend them as fit inſtruments to enſlave their American benefactors, and conſequently proper objects of royal munificence; a large portion of which, perhaps, will fall to the man whoſe name ſtands foremoſt in this *black liſt*, as a reward for his diſapprobation of and oppoſition to publick meaſures, ſufficiently manifeſt, we think, in his refuſing to accept the high ſheriff's commiſſion, in refuſing to qualify as a juſtice of the peace, in not complying with a requiſition of Convention to contribute to the purchaſe of arms and ammunition, and in not voting at elections of delegates and committees.

Ordered, that a copy of this be tranſmitted to mr. Purdie, to be publiſhed in his Gazette.

SAMUEL TEMPLE, clerk.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 26.

Intelligence received by Congreſs concerning the reduction of Mount Waſhington, *by the enemy on the* 16*th inſtant.*

EARLY laſt Saturday morning col. Magaw poſted his troops partly in the lines thrown up by our army on our firſt coming thither from New York, and partly on a commanding hill lying north of Mount Waſhington, the lines being all to the ſouthward. In this poſition the attack began about 10 o'clock, which our troops ſtood, and returned the fire in ſuch a manner as gave great hopes the enemy was entirely repulſed; but at this time a body of troops croſſed Haerlem river in boats, and landed within the ſecond lines, our troops being then engaged in the firſt.

Col. Cadwallader, who commanded in the lines, ſent off a detachment to oppoſe them; but they, being overpowered by numbers, gave way, upon which col. Cadwallader ordered his troops to retreat, in order to gain the fort, and the enemy, croſſing over, came in upon them in ſuch a manner that a number of them ſurrendered. At this time the Heſſians advanced on the north ſide of the fort, in very large bodies. They were received by the troops poſted there with proper ſpirit, and kept back a conſiderable time; but at length they were alſo obliged to ſubmit to a ſuperiority of numbers, and retire under the cannon of the fort.

The enemy having poſſeſſed themſelves of the adjacent ground, which rendered the fort no longer tenable, the garriſon ſurrendered.

The numbers killed or wounded, on either ſide, are not yet known; but, from the heavineſs and continuance of the fire, it is ſuppoſed there muſt have been conſiderable execution.

Publiſhed by order of Congreſs.

CHARLES THOMSON, ſecretary.

Yeſterday the ſhip Sam, lately commanded by Samuel Richardſon, was ſent into this port. She was taken on her paſſage from Barbados to Liverpool by the continental ſloop Independence, capt. Young, was mounted with four guns, and had on board 20,000 dollars, two tuns and a half of ivory, 100 bars of iron, &c.

Fort Lee having been evacuated by our troops, and the ſtores removed to a place of ſecurity, part of the Britiſh army, we hear, took poſſeſſion of it laſt Thurſday.

We hear that part of general Howe's army has advanced a few miles into the ſtate of New Jerſey, and that he is preparing with the remaining body of his troops to effect a landing in that ſtate. General Waſhington is buſy in preparing to receive them, and if properly reinforced with the militia of New Jerſey, and the neighbouring ſtates, we hope will be able to check their progreſs. We alſo hear, that general Lee is advancing to join general Waſhington with a reinforcement from the continental army in the ſtate of New York.

The Hon. Congreſs have promoted M. de Roche de Fermoy, a brave and experienced officer, and formerly a colonel in the French ſervice, to the rank of a brigadier-general.

On Wedneſday 100 ſail of veſſels left Sandy Hook and put to ſea, but whether they have troops on board is uncertain. Various are the conjectures of their deſtination; but the prevailing opinion is, that they are empty tranſports, and are bound to Ireland for proviſions, for the Britiſh troops.

RICHARD BACHE, eſq; is appointed poſtmaſter general, and PETER BAYNTON, eſq; poſtmaſter for this city.

IN CONGRESS, *November* 23, 1776.

RESOLVED, that a committee of five be appointed, with full powers to deviſe and execute meaſures for effectually reinforcing general Waſhington, and obſtructing the progreſs of general Howe's army, and that they proceed immediately on this buſineſs.

The members choſen, mr. WILSON, mr. SMITH, mr. CHASE, mr. CLYMER, and mr. STOCKDEN.

JOHN HANCOCK, preſident.

In COUNCIL *of* SAFETY,
PHILADELPHIA, *November* 24, 1776.

SIR,

GENERAL HOWE, after having reduced Fort Waſhington, and obtaining poſſeſſion of Fort Lee, is now directing his operations againſt New Jerſey. There is much reaſon to believe that his views extend to the city of Philadelphia. The forces in New Jerſey may be ſufficient to oppoſe his progreſs. It is therefore indiſpenſably requiſite for the preſervation of this ſtate, and the ſupport of the general cauſe, that troops be immediately raiſed to reinforce general Waſhington. The meaſures adopted for this purpoſe you will learn from the reſolutions encloſed. In this time of danger, it is unneceſſary to uſe arguments with freemen who are determined never to loſe that character but with their lives. We have entire confidence that you, and the battalion under your command, will, upon this occaſion, give the ſtrongeſt proofs of vigour and patriotiſm.

A judicious choice of the officers will do honour to the volunteers, and produce eſſential advantages to the ſervice; for it is our opinion that the volunteers ought to have the election of them, and we recommend to you the utmoſt circumſpection and care, not only in the perſons you may recommend to them, but alſo in the manner of doing it. As this Council can only have in view the intereſt of the whole, you may ſafely aſſure the people of our care and attention in the appointment of the field officers, ſo as, at the ſame time, to forward the ſervice, and, as much as poſſible, to give ſatisfaction to the people.

A paymaſter will be appointed for each battalion, and the volunteers may depend on having their pay regularly. The colonel or commanding officer ought to muſter each company, and ſend a certificate thereof to this Board.

Money is forwarded to--------, in order to advance the month's pay. To him you will pleaſe to apply for what money will be neceſſary in your battalion for that purpoſe. *By order of the Council.*

DAVID RITTENHOUSE, V. P.

To the colonel or commanding officer of the battalion of

BALTIMORE, *November* 27.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Philadelphia, *to his friend in this town, dated November* 23.

A LETTER from general Mifflin arrived laſt night by expreſs, which gives an account that Fort Lee was evacuated by our people, and taken poſſeſſion of by the enemy laſt Wedneſday evening. Our troops brought off all their ſtores, arms, ammunition, &c. Col. Cadwallader, in a letter to his father, ſays, that between 30 and 40 of our men were killed in the engagement in the lines before Mount Waſhington. There are two affidavits and letters in town which give an account that the enemy's loſs was 1600 killed on the field, and twice that number wounded, many of which mortally; ſo that Howe, with his Heſſians, &c. bought Fort Waſhington at a dear price.

"Yeſterday came into port a fine large well built Guinea ſhip. Her cargo conſiſts of gold duſt, rum, ſugar, &c. &c. laſt from Jamaica, bound to England, taken by the Montgomery privateer, commanded by James Montgomery, eſq; belonging to this ſtate.

"Same day arrived five veſſels from St. Martin's, loaded with ſalt, fruit, &c."

By a gentleman who left Philadelphia late on Saturday evening, we are informed that general Burgoyne lately died at Quebeck; that a tranſport ſhip bound from England to Canada, having on board 10,000 ſtand of arms, 50 tuns of gunpowder, and a large quantity of clothing, was lately taken by a new England privateer, and convoyed into a ſafe port at the Eaſtward.

WILLIAMSBURG, *December* 6.

ON Wedneſday laſt the following appointments were made in the Houſe of Delegates, viz.----MANN PAGE, jun. eſq; of Mansfield, to be a repreſentative for this ſtate in General Congreſs, in the room of GEORGE WYTHE, eſq; whoſe preſence is required at home, as one of the committee to reviſe our laws.----DAVID JAMESON, eſq; to be one of the Hon. Privy Council, in the room of JAMES MERCER, eſq; who has declined his appointment.---THEODORICK BLAND, eſq; to be major commandant of the ſix troops of light horſe lately raiſed.---And GEORGE BAYLOR, eſq; to be lieutenant-colonel of one of the new battalions, in the room of RICHARD K. MEADE, eſq; who declines his appointment.

Laſt Saturday EDMUND RANDOLPH, eſq; was choſen mayor of this city, JOSEPH PRENTIS, eſq; one of the court of aldermen, and mr. EDWARD CHARLTON a common councilman.

The ſix troops of light horſe are under orders to proceed immediately to the town of Brunſwick in the Jerſeys, with all the priſoners of war in this ſtate, where they are to be exchanged for the garriſon of Fort Waſhington.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Dec.* 5, 1776.

THE *General Aſſembly having paſſed* An act for appointing commiſſioners of *Oyer* and *Terminer* for the trial of criminals now in the publick jail, *and thereby directed that ſuch commiſſioners ſhall ſit for that purpoſe on the third* Thurſday *in* January *next, it is expected that all witneſſes who have entered into recognizances to appear and depoſe againſt the ſaid criminals will attend at that time at the* Capitol *in this city.*

EDMUND RANDOLPH.

BY *order of the Hon. the Council, will be ſold on* Friday *the* 20*th inſtant, at* Peterſburg, *the ſloop* AGATHA, *burthen about* 3500 *buſhels, and a prime ſailer, with her ſails, rigging, and materials; formerly the property of meſſ.* Robert *and* John Shedden, *and* John Sym.

(2) *THOMAS SHORE.*

THE ſubſcriber has juſt opened TAVERN at *Todd's Bridge*, where he has provided every thing neceſſary for gentlemen and their horſes, and hopes to give general ſatisfaction to thoſe who will favour him with their company.

2‖ PHILIP PENDLETON, jun.

THE officers and ſoldiers of the 9th *Virginia* regiment, who are abſent with leave, are deſired to return with all poſſible deſpatch, or join the regiment on its march, or at *Philadelphia*, it being ordered to reinforce general *Waſhington* immediately. Given under my hand, this 1ſt of *December*, 1776.

1‖ THOMAS FLEMING.

THE ſubſcriber begs leave to inform the publick, that he now keeps the TAVERN at the *Bowling Green*, formerly kept by mr. *Wily Roy;* and as mr. *John Hoomes* has found him a good ſtock of liquors, and is to continue ſo to do, and every other neceſſary that the times will admit of, he intends uſing his utmoſt endeavours to give general ſatisfaction. Particular care will be taken to furniſh travelling gentlemen with every convenience for themſelves and horſes, by

‖ SAMUEL CURLE.

THE maſter and crew of the ſhip *Caroline*, taken by the ſchooner privateer *Harlequin*, and condemned as a lawful prize by the Court of Admiralty of this ſtate, are hereby advertiſed, that they are to apply to *William Lux*, eſq; of the town of *Baltimore*, in the ſtate of *Maryland*, for payment of the wages due to them from ſaid ſhip, agreeable to a reſolution of the Continental Congreſs.

By order of the Hon Court of Admiralty.

(4) BEN: POWELL, marſhal

UPWARDS *of* 200 *barrels of* CORN *will be ſold in lots, on* Wedneſday *the* 18*th inſtant, before the* Raleigh *tavern in* Williamſburg, *to the higheſt bidders, for ready money. The corn to be delivered at the* Neck of Land, *before* Chriſtmas. 2‖

GOOD able SEAMEN will receive 5l. and an experienced mate 7l. per month, by applying to me at col. *Harriſon's* ſhip yard in *Berkeley*, county of *Charles City*.

2‖ JOHN KENT.

To be SOLD at auction, purſuant to the will of col. Francis Taylor, *deceaſed, on the premiſes, on* Monday *the* 30*th of this inſtant* (December)

A TRACT of 208 acres of LAND lying near col. *James Taylor's* in *Caroline* county, upon twelve months credit, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid. On the *Wedneſday* following will be ſold at mr. *Richard Segar's*, in the ſaid county, ſix valuable SLAVES belonging to the ſaid eſtate, upon the like credit and terms, by

(2) The EXECUTORS.

PRINCE GEORGE, *Nov.* 23, 1776.

CONTRARY to my deſire, and expreſs order, my ſervant man JAMES BULLOCK enliſted with mr. *Robert Poythreſs*, an officer, he ſays, under captain *Scott* of the *Georgia* ſervice; upon which I demanded my ſervant of the ſaid *Poythreſs*, without effect. This is therefore to requeſt of capt. *Scott* to have my ſaid ſervant returned to me without delay or farther expenſe, or I ſhall certainly proſecute him according to law.

2‖ JAMES ANDERSON.

PRINCE EDWARD, *Nov.* 16, 1776.

MY ill ſtate of health theſe ſix weeks paſt, and the preſſing inſtructions from the ſtate of *Georgia*, makes me take this method to urge the diligence of my recruiting officers, and that they all without fail meet me at my father's, in this county, the 10th day of next month, to ſee what is done, and fix a day to march.

1‖ JESSE HUGHES WALTON, capt.

Garriſon at *York* town, *Dec.* 3, 1776.

I INTEND in a few weeks for the grand continental army near *New York*.

‖ WILLIAM DAWSON.

THE *marines belonging to my company who are now abſent upon furlough, are ordered to repair to* York *garriſon as ſoon as poſſible*.

(2) *JOHN C. COCKE, capt. of marines.*

Williamſburg, in *Virginia*, *Dec.* 3, 1776.

THE captains of the ſecond *Georgia* battalion, now recruiting in this ſtate, are requeſted to meet me on *Tueſday* the 20th inſtant, at *Charlotteſville*, in *Albemarle* county.

2‖ S. J. CUTHBERT, major.

PRINCE GEORGE, *Nov.* 26, 1776.

AS I intend to adminiſter on the eſtate of my late father, *Richard Bland*, eſq; deceaſed, at the next *Prince George* court, I take the earlieſt opportunity of requeſting that all perſons to whom the ſaid eſtate is indebted will as ſoon as poſſible make me acquainted with their demands, and they may rely I ſhall take the moſt ſpeedy ſteps to diſcharge the ſame. Without this information, it will be impoſſible for me to ſettle the eſtate ſo ſoon as I could wiſh.

(2) RICHARD BLAND.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from my company of the 2d *Georgia* battalion, the following ſoldiers, viz. PATRICK DUFFY, an *Iriſhman*, about 5 feet 8 inches high, well made, full faced, wore a ſhort blue jacket with ſleeves half worn, and it is ſuppoſed was in the marine ſervice. EMANUEL KELLY, country born, about 5 feet 8 inches high, a wheelwright by trade, is very fond of liquor, and wore an old hat, with clothes much worn. Whoever ſecures ſaid deſerters ſhall have the above reward, or 3l. for each.

‖ WILLIAM SMITH, captain.

ON *Wedneſday* the 18th inſtant (*December*) will be ſold at the late dwelling-houſe of mr. *William Brown*, deceaſed, in *James City* county, all his houſehold and kitchen furniture, the crops of corn, wheat, and fodder, with the ſtocks of horſes, cattle, and hogs, ſome ſalt, rum, brandy, and ſundry other things too tedious to mention. Credit for all ſums above 25s. until the 10th of *October* next, on giving bond with approved ſecurity, bearing intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.---All perſons who have demands againſt the eſtate are deſired to make them known immediately, and thoſe indebted thereto will meet with no indulgence after the court proceeds to buſineſs.

2‖ JOHN BROWN, JOHN PIERCE, } executors.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD

FOR *ſecuring* WILLIAM FRAZER, *a ſoldier in my company, enliſted for the defence of the ſtate of* Georgia. *He is a ſlender made man, about* 19 *years of age, has ſhort light coloured hair, and ſaid he lived in* Hampton, *but was born in* Cheſterfield, *at or near* Oſborne's *warehouſe. The ſaid* Frazer *enliſted with me in* Williamſburg *the* 27*th of laſt* Auguſt, *and at his requeſt I granted him a furlough for* 30 *days, at the end of which time he was to join my company at* Newgate, *in* Loudoun *county, but has not as yet appeared. I will give the above reward to any perſon that ſecures the ſaid* Frazer *in any publick jail, and adverti ſes the ſame in this paper, or* TWENTY DOLLARS *if delivered to me at the above mentioned place.*

‖ *WILLIAM LANE, jun. capt.*

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *New Kent*, on the 27th of *October* laſt, a ſmall white horſe about 4 feet 4 inches high, his fore feet very much worn, has a ſhort dock, his brand (if any) forgot. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to me, ſhall have 20s. reward; and if ſtolen, on conviction of the thief, if a white man, 5l.

‖ RICHARD CHAMBERLAYNE.

HAMPTON, *Nov.* 30, 1776.

I INTEND to leave the country for three or four months.

1‖ LEONARD TARRANT.

CAROLINE, *Nov.* 13, 1776.

SIXTY valuable SLAVES, conſiſting of men, women, and children, will be ſold at *Fauquier* courthouſe on the 4th *Monday* in *January* next (being court day) if fair, otherwiſe next fair day. The time of payment to be agreed on the day of ſale, but a large diſcount will be allowed for ready money; and purchaſers on credit muſt give bond with approved ſecurity, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.

GAWIN CORBIN, jun.

TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST from col. *Edward's* in *Brunſwick* county, laſt *June*, three mares which were ſent to old *Fearnought* laſt ſpring, *viz.* A bay mare 13 years old, about 4 feet 6 inches high, blaze face, both hind feet white half way to her hams, one or both of her fore feet white, ſome white hairs in her tail, trots and gallops, was a little lame in her near fore foot, and as near as I remember branded on her near ſhoulder 3. A bright bay mare about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a hanging mane and long tail, one hind foot white, no brand as I remember, paces ſlow, trots and gallops well, and appears blooded; ſhe will likely, if at liberty, make for the upper end of *Amelia*. The other a likely bay mare about 6 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with hanging mane and long ſwitch tail, a ſtar in her forehead, two or three ſmall white ſpots on the near ſide of the pole of her head, is full half-blooded, and allowed to run faſt for her ſize; ſhe has no brand that I remember, and if at liberty will likely go to *Prince Edward*. The above reward will be paid for the ſaid mares on delivery, or 50s. for each, by

2‖ WILLIAM BIBB.

PRINCE EDWARD, *Nov.* 16, 1776.

STRAYED *or* STOLEN *from the ſubſcriber in* Falmouth, *about the firſt of* Auguſt *laſt, a bay horſe about* 13 *hands and a half high, about* 12 *years old, has a wen on his off ſide about the ſize of a gooſe egg, trots, gallops, and paces, and has a blotched brand on his near buttock, H or X, I am not certain which. Whoever conveys the ſaid horſe to me ſhall have* 20s. *reward.*

2‖ *THOMAS BROWN.*

STRAYED or STOLEN out of my paſture in *Bedford* county, about the 23d of *September* laſt, a roan mare 3 years old laſt ſpring, branded on the near ſhoulder S, and on the near buttock E, paces chiefly, and had on a ſmall bell. Any perſon who gives intelligence of the ſaid mare, ſo as I get her again, ſhall be handſomely rewarded.

2‖ ROBERT IRVIN.

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber, in *Eſſex* county, about 7 miles from *Hobb's Hole*, the 6th of this inſtant (*November*) a dark bay horſe 8 or 9 years old, about 14 hands high, with ſome ſaddle ſpots, his right jaw bone broke by the kick of a horſe when a colt, his brand (if any) forgot; alſo a ſorrel mare colt about 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, with a flaxen mane and ſorrel tail, and a ſmall ſnip on the noſe, neither dockt nor branded. Whoever brings them to me ſhall have 40s. reward, and 5l. on conviction of the thief.

1‖ THOMAS WOOD.

TAKEN up in *Dinwiddie*, a ſorrel mare 3 years old, about 4 feet 6 inches high, with a ſnip on her noſe, flaxen mane, her hind feet white, the off one above the footlock, neither dockt nor branded. Poſted, and appraiſed to 10l.

‖ *William Dabney.*

For SALE, or to be RENTED for one or more years,

A TRACT of LAND pleaſantly ſituated on *Pamunkey* river, in *New Kent* county, containing 200 acres, whereon is a convenient dwelling-houſe, and ſeveral out-houſes; alſo a tract containing 200 acres, about three miles from the other. Alſo a tract of 200 acres in *James City* county, on the navigable waters of *Chickahominy* river, whereon is a well built griſt-mill in good repair, with two pair of mill ſtones, and a good ſet of bolting cloths, a granary, ſtorehouſe, with a cooper and blackſmith's ſhop. Alſo another tract of level well timbered land on *Diaſcun* creek, in *James City* county, containing 215 acres. Long credit, if required, will be allowed, the purchaſers giving bond with good ſecurity, and paying intereſt. I have to hire, for the next year, two BLACKSMITHS with their tools, two CARPENTERS, and ſeveral pair of SAWYERS, ſome of them good WATERMEN. B. DANDRIDGE.

RUN *away the firſt of* January 1775 *a likely mulatto negro wench named KATE, 18 years of age, well made, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, and talks very ſmooth. She was hired to mr.* Philip Moody *of* Williamſburg *in* 1774, *and laſt year to mr.* John Thruſton, *from whence ſhe ran off. She has got a huſband in* Williamſburg, *and probably may paſs for a free perſon as ſhe is well acquainted in that city, and I have repeatedly heard of her being there. She formerly belonged to the eſtate of mr.* John Cary, *deceaſed, of* York *county. I will give* 20*s. to any perſon that will ſecure her in jail and give me intelligence thereof, or* 40*s. if brought to me in* King & Queen, *at mr.* John Thruſton's.

2 EDWARD CARY, *jun.*

WAS ſtolen out of my paſture near *Port Royal*, in the night of the 1ſt of *Auguſt* laſt, a bay horſe purchaſed by me for the 3d troop of *Virginia* light horſe, about 14 hands high, and was three years old laſt ſpring; he has a glaſs eye, a blaze face, all four of his feet and part of ſome of his legs white, but do not recollect which. had no brand, and his tail but very little docked. I will give 40s. reward to any perſon who will deliver the ſaid horſe to me at *York*, or to mr. *John Catlett* near *Port Royal*, and on conviction of the thief 5l.

WILLIAM LINDSAY, Cornet in the 3d troop.

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or STOLEN the 4th of *November*, out of the paſture at the ſhipyard near *Fredericksburg*, a bright bay horſe 4 years old laſt ſummer, 14 hands and a half high, paces a little, but trots and gallops very light, has one white ſaddle ſpot on his back, is ſhod before, but has no perceivable brand. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to the ſhipyard ſhall have the above reward, paid by

2 THOMAS FLEMING.

STRAYED or STOLEN, *the 8th of* Auguſt *laſt, from* Mulberry Iſland *ferry*, Warwick *county, a ſmall bay horſe 4 feet 4 or 5 inches high, 7 or 8 years old, with a ſtar in his forehead, an ugly mane hanging on the near ſide, a buſhy mane, one of his hind feet white as high as the footlock, the hoof only of the other (or part of it) white, paces ſlow, and gallops, but not branded that I remember; alſo a light bay mare, about the ſize of the horſe, with a ſtar in her forehead, hanging mane and buſhy tail, trots and gallops, has a ſore back, is hard to catch, and branded ſomething like M. Whoever takes up the ſaid creatures, and gives intelligence thereof to mr.* Thomas Archer *in* York *town, or to the ſubſcriber in the lower end of* Glouceſter, *ſhall have FIVE DOLLARS reward for each.*

2 THOMAS POWELL, *jun.*

ALL *perſons who have any demands on the eſtate of* William Purcell, *deceaſed, of* Glouceſter *county, are deſired to ſend in their accounts, properly atteſted; and thoſe who are indebted thereto are requeſted to make ſpeedy payment, to*

2 *The EXECUTORS.*

To be HIRED at Charles City *courthouſe, on the firſt* Wedneſday *in* January *next, being court day,*

THE *NEGROES* belonging to the eſtate of *Francis Dancy*, ſon of *Edward Dancy*. The plantation called *Clay Bank* will alſo be rented at that time, for a term of years.----All perſons indebted to the ſaid eſtate are deſired to attend, with their balances, and the negroes now in their care. Bond with approved ſecurity will be required on the ſpot, by

JAMES WALL, jun.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 13, 1776.

I BEG leave to inform the publick, that ever ſince the 22d of *April* 1776 mr. *Richard Charlton* has not been concerned in the ſhop carried on by the ſubſcriber in this city, notwithſtanding the advertiſement ſince the above date which did ſignify we were in partnerſhip; but he, not coming up with any part of his agreement cauſes the partnerſhip to be void. Therefore deſire all who are indebted to the ſhop ſince the above date to pay only to me, or my order. JAMES NICHOLS.

N. B. I am in want of wig blocks, cards, and bruſhes, and an aſſortment of well prepared hairs fit for wig-making. Any perſon that can ſupply me with them ſhall have a good price.

ALL perſons are hereby forewarned from hunting, fiſhing, or fowling, on the lands of the ſubſcribers in *Charles City*, without leave firſt obtained

DAVID MINGE.
WILLIAM RICKMAN.

FOR SALE,

SIX hundred and twenty five acres of land in *Amelia*, in good order for cropping, which will produce tobacco, grain, or any other article, equal to any land in that county; and there is ſufficient of it clear to work about 10 hands.---One thouſand and fifty acres of well timbered land in *Cheſterfield*, within 4 miles of *Peterſburg* and 6 of the *Glebe*, whoſe appearance ſhows well for tobacco or grain of any kind, and has a grant for a mill with it on a never-failing ſtream.---About 1200 acres, being the plantation on which I live, known by the name of *Bloomſbury*, the greater part of it equal to any land in the colony, whereupon are ſeveral fine fiſhing places, and it is choice for fowling. There is a dwelling-houſe and out-houſes fit for the reception of a family, and has enough of it clear to employ 15 hands; it is midway between the *Glebe* and *Peterſburg*.---Alſo a ſaw and griſt mill with about 10 acres of land on *Swift* creek, 3 miles from *Peterſburg*.---Any perſon deſirous to treat for any of the above lands may know the terms by applying to me at *Bloomſbury*.

JOHN RANDOLPH.

STOLEN *out of the ſubſcriber's paſture in* Amelia *county, on* Wedneſday *the 9th of* October *laſt, in the night. a bright ſorrel horſe about 4 feet 9 inches high, 4 years old laſt ſpring, has a blaze in his face, his hind legs half way to the knee white, a ſaddle ſpot on the near ſide of his back, a ſmall white ſpot on each ear about an inch from the top, a middling high rump bone, which ſeems to incline rather to the near ſide, has a ſhort thin hanging mane and a tolerable long ſwitch tail, paces ſlow, and trots and gallops very well. Whoever gives me any intelligence of him, ſo that I can get him again, ſhall have* 40*s. reward, and* 13*l. on conviction of the thief, if a white man.*

JAMES HENDERSON.

HENRICO, *October* 27, 1776.

I WANT a good BLACKSMITH, COLLIER, and WEAVER, whom I will either buy or employ at a generous price. SAMUEL DU VAL.

ALEXANDRIA, *Nov.* 1, 1776.

WHEREAS *Charles Turner* (a native of *Scotland*, near *Tweed*) clock and watch cleaner, who lived in this town upwards of 16 years, died laſt *January* inteſtate, if he has any heirs, or legal repreſentatives, they may hear of ſomething to their advantage by applying to

ROBERT MUIR, adm.

*** The deceaſed left two or three watches, which are preſumed to be the property of ſome perſons. The owners are deſired to apply for them.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on the 20th of December, *at the plantation whereon mr.* Robert Newſum *lately lived,*

THE remaining part of his perſonal eſtate, conſiſting of houſehold and kitchen furniture, corn, fodder, utenſils of huſbandry, work horſes, oxen, *&c.* Alſo two lots of land lying in the town of *Peterſburg*, with good buildings thereon. Twelve months credit will be allowed for all ſums above 40s. the purchaſer giving bond and ſecurity for punctual payment, or to carry intereſt from the date in caſe of failure. The plantation, as formerly advertiſed, which has every convenience in its ſituation, buildings, *&c.* is ſtill for ſale, on long credit, by

The EXECUTORS.

To be SOLD on the premiſes, to the higheſt bidder, the 12th of December *next, agreeable to the will of* George Wright, *deceaſed,*

HIS land and plantation in *Cumberland* county, containing 500 acres, whereon are all convenient buildings for ordinary and ſtore-keeping, with large apple and peach orchards, containing great variety of all kinds of fruit. The purchaſer will have 12 months credit, upon giving bond with ſecurity to

The EXECUTORS.

THE ſubſcriber had taken, by way of miſtake, from capt. *Anderſon's* tavern in *Williamsburg*, ſome time laſt *Auguſt*, a DRAB GREAT COAT with the lower button off. Whoever has it in poſſeſſion is requeſted to return it immediately.

JAMES WALLACE.

BROKE out of *Brunſwick* county jail, the 22d of *September* laſt, WILL, a negro fellow of a yelloviſh complexion, about 28 years old, about 5 feet 4 or 6 inches high, and I believe has a ſcar on his noſe, occaſioned by a blow; had on a *Virginia* cotton ſhirt, old breeches, and a jacket without ſleeves, but I have reaſon to believe he has now other clothes, that he he has changed his name, and got a forged paſs. I imagine he is either lurking about *Hampton*, or gone to *Pittſylvania* or *Bedford*. If he ſhould be taken up and committed to any jail, the keeper is requeſted to ſecure him well with irons, as he is a great rogue, and will eſcape if poſſible. Whoever apprehends the ſaid fellow, and ſecures him ſo as he may be had again, ſhall have 40s. reward, and all reaſonable expenſes. GEORGE WALKER.

LOST *from* Rappahannock *forge, in* King George *county (ſuppoſed to be ſtolen) a ſpotted gray horſe about* 13 *hands high, with buſhy mane and ſwitch tail, ſhort docked, has a gooſerump, walks very brisk, carries his head low, trots and paces, is very free to gallop, ſhod all round, had on a pair of iron ſpancels, and branded on the near buttock I. Whoever conveys the ſaid horſe to the ſubſcribers ſhall have* 30*s. reward, and all reaſonable charges.*

(4) SULLIVAN & WILKINSON.

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